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Dear Dr. Friedman:

Please support the labeling of genetically-engineered foods. Citizens in a democracy have a right to information which allows us to make informed decisions. The issues involved in the controversy over GM foods involve our health and safety, as well as the health and safety of our environment. These are very important and personal issues. It is the essence of a democracy that citizens inform themselves and make the decisions on such issues. The interests of agribusiness and biotechnology corporations must not be put ahead of the interests and basic rights of citizens.

Sincerely,



cc: Senator Edward Kennedy
Senator John Kerry
Representative Michael Capuano

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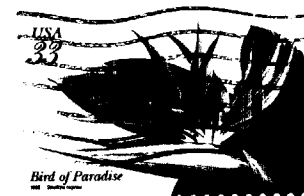
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